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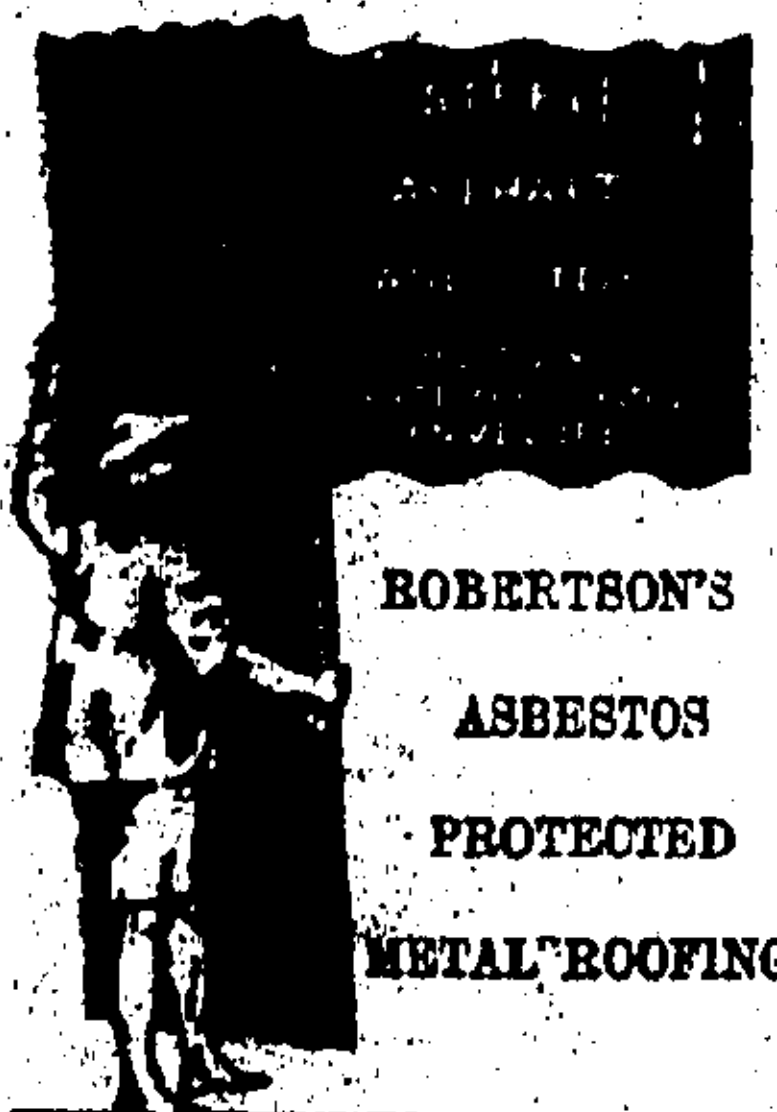
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STABBING AFFRAY.

MURDER ALLEGED AGAINST INDIAN GUARDS.

TROUSERS AS EVIDENCE.

The killing of an Indian guard in the Western district of the City on the night of April 23, led to the appearance of two fellow-guards, Nur Ahmed and Sandan Khan, at the Criminal Sessions this morning, both on a charge of murder. No evidence of the actual stabbing was given in court this morning but another guard, who had relieved the deceased, said that on hearing a commotion whilst he was walking on his beat he turned and saw the deceased slipping to the floor, held from in front and behind by the two prisoners. Blood was pouring from his left side.

Circumstantial evidence also centred round a pair of trousers which had been found shortly after the killing hanging on the rail in the quarters of one of the prisoners. They had been newly washed and still showed signs of stain. There was no doubt that these trousers were the property of the prisoner, said Sir Henry Pollock, K.C., Attorney-General, who prosecuted, as when he was taken to the police station he was wearing a khaki tunic and white drill trousers. The trousers found hanging in his room were sent to Dr. Minnett who found signs of blood on them—he could not say whether it was human or animal blood.

Medical evidence given this morning was to the effect that a sharp instrument had entered deceased's heart, the wound having been inflicted by someone in front using the right hand. It had entered the body just below the eighth rib.

Roshan Khan, the guard who said he saw the two prisoners holding the deceased about the time he received the wound, was cross-examined at some length by Mr. F. C. Jenkin, who appeared for the two prisoners. He said that when he relieved the deceased, he noticed that his turban was unrolled and his dress in disorder, but received no reply when he had asked for the reason.

Witness contradicted himself, stating under cross-examination that because of the crowd that had collected when the stabbing had occurred he could see nothing when he turned. Later he amended by saying that he actually saw the prisoners holding the deceased.

The case is continuing.

COMING HERE.

NEW AMERICAN CONSUL GENERAL.

NOTABLE CAREER.

The American Consulate General at Hongkong announces the impending arrival of Consul General Roger Culver Tredwell, on s.s. President Jackson, due August 12. Mr. Tredwell, who will assume charge of the Consulate General, is one of the most distinguished members of the American Foreign Service. Born in Brooklyn, N. Y., he is a graduate of St. Paul's School, of Yale University, and attended the University at Grenoble, France, in 1908.

He was appointed to the Foreign Service in 1908, served as Vice and Deputy Consul-General at Yokohama in 1910; Deputy Consul-General at London in 1911; in charge at Burslem 1911-1912; reappointed Deputy Consul-General at London, 1912; at Dresden, 1912; assigned to duty in the Department of State, October, 1912; appointed Consul at Bristol, 1913; at Amsterdam, 1914; at Leghorn, 1914; at Naples, 1915; assigned to Turin, 1915; Rome, 1916; Petrograd, 1917; Volodga, 1918; Moscow, 1918; Tashkent, 1918; detailed to the American Commission to negotiate peace at Paris, May 1919; appointed Consul General at Lugo, November, 1921.

Consul Algar E. Carleton has been in charge of the Consulate General since September 1, 1924, when Consul General William H. Gale was transferred to Amsterdam.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 2/6 15/16.

AFTER 25 DAYS.

ANOTHER BODY FOUND AT PO HING FONG.

IDENTITY ESTABLISHED.

The body of a Chinese girl was unearthed last night in the course of clearing operations on the site of the disastrous house collapse of July 17 at Po Hing Fong.

Although the body was in the form of only a skeleton, a number of persons established identity by means of the clothing. The find proved to be that of a mui tsai, 14 years old, who was employed at house No. 15.

The work of digging on the eastern side of the demolished houses has been considerably delayed owing to the danger from the partly demolished house No. 16, and it was here that the latest body was discovered.

The official record of deaths so far known stands at 71.

INDIAN IN GUTTER.

STORY OF AN ALLEGED ASSAULT.

ACCUSED DISCHARGED.

A Filipino resident of Hai-phong Road was charged at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning with alleged assault.

The evidence was that the accused struck an Indian constable on Saturday night and knocked him into a gutter.

The accused's version was that he accidentally bumped into another Indian, who was walking beside the complainant. The latter thereupon, thinking that an assault was intended, took him into custody.

A Police Inspector who was present at the charge room described the accused's condition and behaviour as being quite sober and straightforward. The charge was dismissed.

IN HAND.

FRENCH CONTROL REBEL SITUATION.

NO NEED FOR ALARM.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, August 9.

Some newspapers now declare that the reports of the Druse rising are exaggerated. They admit that the French troops suffered a somewhat serious reverse in the Saida district, but opine that the losses are magnified.

The report of the evacuation in Southern Hauran is described as a flagrant error, and the report of the capture of tanks is discredited.

As stated, the French troops in Syria are not yet provided with them.

It is declared as a certainty

"BOLD AND FRUGAL."

MARSHALL PETAIN AND THE RIFFS.

COMBINED ACTION PENDING.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, August 9.

"The horizon is clearing," says Marshall Petain in the report of his mission to Morocco which M. Painleve has just issued. Marshall Petain describes events since the first Riffi attack and speaks of the "strong, skilful, bold, well equipped, mobile and frugal Riffs at Djebalas against whom only the remarkable tenacity and devotion of the French troops had held the Fez Taza road to Algeria. Marshall Petain emphasises that the interior of Morocco is still loyal to France and that combined action is now being prepared to drive out the enemy and re-establish French authority.

INDO-CHINA.

SOCIALIST SUCCESSOR TO M. MERLIN.

CONGRESS ATTACK.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, August 9.

A Socialist Congress at Puy de Dome, after hearing explanations from M. Varenne, passed a resolution condemning his acceptance of office and calling on him to choose between the Governorship of Indo-China and membership of the Socialist Party.

[A previous message announced M. Varenne's acceptance of the post of Governor-General of Indo-China, in succession to M. Merlin. M. Varenne is Deputy for Puy de Dome and Vice-President of the Chamber of Deputies.]

BRYAN'S WILL.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Miami, August 9.

The will of Mr. W. J. Bryan filed for probate, disposes of an estate valued approximately at \$500,000. Eighty per cent. goes to the widow and family, and the remainder to various churches. The bequests include \$50,000 to establish an academy for boys, under supervision of some evangelical church.

At an examination recently held by Dr. Gawler, the following Members of the Indian Division of the St. John Ambulance Division were passed as qualified to render "First Aid to the Injured." The Surgeon-Instructor was Dr. Milward—H. O. Hoosen, S. M. Ramjahn, A. O. Wabab, N. Osman, Y. A. Wabab, and A. Bushir.

use, has been obliged to withdraw owing to the sudden attack by the Druses on its transport.

(Havas Agency.)

Beirut, August 8.

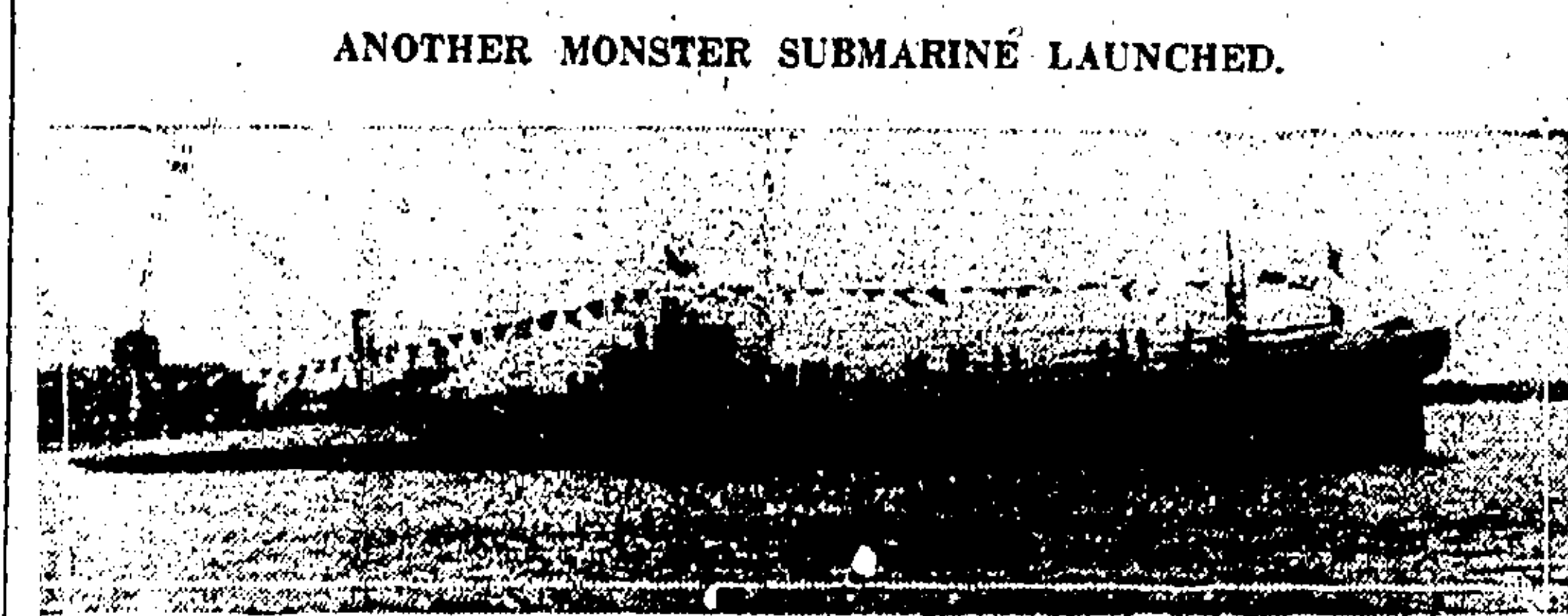
Reliable reports, concerning the recent incidents at Jebeldruse, state that the rebels surprised a French company. The punitive column moved back, the native troops accompanying its conveyance having been attacked. Calm prevails now and reinforcements have arrived.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, August 8.

It is reported from Beirut that a number of Druses have taken refuge in Trans-Jordan. The British authorities have despatched armoured cars to drive them back into the French mandated territory. They have also sent aeroplanes to fly over the frontier.

[A Paris message of August 2 from Beirut stated that French operations had taken place at Jebel Druse in Syria. They could be described as satisfactory. Eighteen insurgents were killed. The aerial bomb operations were a sequel to agitation on July 24 near Saida, when a French column, which was attacking, was ambushed. General Sarrailh in full agreement with the British, who arranged to help, by means of armoured cars, the insurgents penetrating into Trans-Jordan.]



ANOTHER MONSTER SUBMARINE LAUNCHED.

The launching of the U. S. Submarine V-3. Like its sister ships, the V-1 and V-2, already in commission, the V-3 is designed to accompany the Battle Fleet anywhere, in any weather, at any speed the fleet itself can maintain, and has comfortable quarters for officers and men. It is propelled by four six-cylinder Diesel oil engines and is armed with six 21-inch tubes to fire Mark XI torpedoes and one five-inch, 51-calibre gun. The V-3 is of 341 ft. 6 in. overall length, 27 ft. 6 in. maximum beam, and 2,164 tons surface displacement. Its surface speed is 21 knots maximum, while under water it can be driven 9 knots an hour.

STUDENT'S OFFENCE.

PENALTY FOR EXPORTING MONEY.

At the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, a Chinese student of Queen's College pleaded guilty to a charge of attempting to export more than the sum allowed by the regulations promulgated recently. The offender, who had \$7 in Hongkong notes and \$40 in Canton silver currency, had to forfeit all but five dollars of each denomination.

Considering that the offender was not an illiterate person, the Magistrate imposed a fine of \$25 in addition.

NEW POLICE STATION.

SHAMSHUIPO BUILDING OCCUPIED.

Yesterday was a red letter day in the annals of the Shamshuiipo Police when they moved into occupation of a spacious building which had been under construction for a considerable time.

The building, which serves both as a Police Station and quarters for married men, is of the same design as the Kowloon City Police Station, and is quite ample for the growing needs of the Shamshuiipo district.

The use of the old Police Station building and the houses at Tai Nan Street, serving as quarters for officers has been discontinued with the opening of the new building. In addition to facilities for married officers, the new structure has quite a number of spare rooms.

DULL WEEK END.

HONGKONG GETS TYPHOON TAIL.

RAFTS DAMAGED.

Week end sport was interfered with to a considerable extent as a result of Hongkong experiencing the tail end of the typhoon which came N.N.E. from the direction of Hainan and passed westwards, entering the coast about 120 miles from Hongkong.

A very severe blow was also experienced and the sea outside the harbour was very rough. The rafts at Repulse Bay were carried to the shore and considerable damage done to two of them.

The first report of the typhoon was issued on Saturday morning, when it was stated to be in Lat. 20 N., Long. 111 E., position uncertain and direction of motion unknown. A later warning on the same day, stated that the depression was nearly stationary, but deepening. Then it appears to have started moving, and shortly after 7 o'clock yesterday morning, local signal No. 3 was hoisted. Three hours later it was recorded as being in Lat. 22 N., Long. 112 E., moving N.N.E. position uncertain. Shortly before midnight, information came through from which it was gathered that the typhoon entered the coast on a N.N.E. track at about 9 o'clock in the morning.

RECLAMATION WORK.

VISIT BY THE GOVERNOR.

On Friday His Excellency the Governor, accompanied by the Assistant Colonial Secretary, paid a visit of inspection to the Reclamation being undertaken by the Netherlands Harbour Works Company at North Point. His Excellency was received by Mr. Kwik Djoer-eh and proceeded round the yards, where the process of making and handling the huge blocks of concrete was demonstrated.

His Excellency and party then embarked on the Victoria and proceeded to the site where the new sea wall is being constructed, to see the concrete blocks being lowered into place underwater with the assistance of divers.

No baseball match was played during the week-end and the rain making postponement imperative.

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SHORTS AND "CISSY" SHIRTS.

Medical opinion strongly stresses the fact that women's modern dress conduces to longevity—or rather to a state of health leading to it. Light and air, nature's health agencies, get to the skin, and discomfort, especially in climates like Hongkong's is almost unknown. A sense of irritability is avoided, and nerves are in a continual state of control. Men are conservative animals and the universal rule has been to cover up from neck to toe, generally in garments that tend to a state of perspiration, leading to prickly heat, discomfort and a state that helps to the aforesaid irritability. During the early days of the "strike" there was a "run" on "shorts" and the opening of the tennis shirt. Men were doing household and other tasks that demanded clothing that did not impede the reasonable action of the body, and helped in saving time and temper. Also there was the question of

economy. Wash amahs had gone, and washing had to be reduced to the minimum, the kahki short and shirt, holding its natural colours for a good number of hours. The "China Mail" has, ere this, pleaded for a reform in the summer dress of men. So have a number of its correspondents. The idea is a common-sense one. It needs a number to persist, in setting an example for it to be widely followed. That it has not been widely followed hitherto may be put down to the fact that in certain quarters it has probably not been considered "the thing." The truth may be that some have spoiled the work of reformers by overdoing it—by a combination of colours that has vied with the rainbow. A little sense is needed; perhaps a little expert sense. A pair of kahki shorts should if possible appear with a pair of brown stockings and a pair of brown shoes. Thus a simple colour scheme is effected. A white pair of shorts will look better on some than kahki. Reasonable thought should decide the colour of the coat. Many have not found the garb suggested as cool as anticipated. This has probably been due to the fact that heavy woollen stockings have been worn. Mercers have risen to the occasion and there is on the market a product of silk stocking made for coolness. They should certainly be tried. Housewives may object that their men-folk are likely to appear at dinner in this "dishabille"; but it is more likely that men will find an added incentive in changing for the evening meal. The charge of indecency has been heard. Strangely enough this proceeds from women, who fail to remember the "familiarity" of their own cool clothes. But this is scarcely meant, probably. Shopkeepers could help by giving expert advice for the "get up" of many men suggests they have no special knowledge of clothes and how to

wear them. If any further argument is needed, it can be said that a man is likely to produce more and better work suitably clad, than he is in "longs," collar and tie. A local medical pronouncement would have a wonderful effect. Medical etiquette forbids doctors' advertising themselves in this and other ways through the Press. But there is nothing to prevent a doctor appearing as we have suggested. It may not suggest a bed-side manner, but... Failing doctors there are heads of businesses. But why wait for a lead? No one waited for someone else to use an electric fan, before getting one of these aids to comfort. The "China Mail" could be filled with arguments in favour of this much needed dress reform for men.

HERMES.

The god of secrets is one of the descriptions applied to the Greek deity bearing this name. There is no secret now concerning the purpose of His Britannic Majesty's ship, Hermes. Her function in Far Eastern Waters has been fully divulged. She is to be in this part of the world in her capacity of sea-plane carrier in the interests and protection of British residents. This is satisfactory news. To prevent unnecessary troubles is to be prepared for them. To be equipped with the most modern of defensive and offensive weapons, or to be in close call to them, makes residence in disturbed areas a little less irksome. The trouble nowadays is to kill a foreigner make some trumpery excuse, or trot out an argument that a murder was not political but one of robbery, and the trouble is forgotten, or countered by compensation. A seaplane or two may not stop that kind of thing, but it will probably convince conspirators against the peace of the world that lengths can be taken which admit only of instant reprisals. Hongkong in particular should welcome the purpose of the Hermes with no uncertain voice. Only recently has it been divulged that the Imperial Government, through its representatives at the Washington Conference, undertook that there should be no air base at Hongkong; that the Colony should not have those implements of modernism, so necessary in a "sea-girt isle," and more so when that isle is so close to a chaotic and warring province. Representations have been made in the press for the provision of aero and sea-planes. First as a component part of a reasonable defence plan of the island and Kowloon and the New Territories. Earl Balfour explained at the Washington Conference the main reason which prompted Britain to acquire a lease of the New Territories. In simple language it was to ensure the safety of world trade in Far Eastern waters. Before the acquisition of the New Territories the Colony was not immune from a successful attack from behind Kowloon. Hongkong was not safe and it followed that shipping and trade were not safe. The argument applies in these days of the perfection of machines of the air. There is to be no air base in compliance with a promise made at the Washington Conference—a promise made, let it be observed, without consulting the voice of the people of Hongkong—ever through its branch of the Navy League—but the Hermes will be in these waters with her freight of planes, and we may say that just as the word Hermes has given us the word "hermetically," the fate of disturbers of the Colony's peace by warring means, is hermetically sealed.

THEY SAY THAT—

To change one's mind in politics is not an offence.—Capt. W. Benn, M.P.
I know it will be my fate to be run down one day.—Judge Clegg.
Sculpture is a hundred years ahead of drama.—Miss Sybil Thorndike.
The art of being gracefully idle has almost disappeared.—Mr. G.D. Hill.
A civilisation is largely judged by its table manners.—Mr. Stacy Aumonier.
We are spending about \$1,000,000 a day on social services.—Mr. William Graham, M.P.
Women are no more the hope of the world than men.—Governor Miriam Ferguson.
I am one of those people who believe that a man should have two jobs.—Sir Patrick Hastings.

SHREDS AND PATCHES.

The Government's A.D.C. who has left on holiday, was slightly interested in the proposed Stadium scheme that first saw the light in these columns. He attended a preliminary meeting in the interests of the Polo Club, and if we speak truthfully, as well as charitably, was not in favour of the idea to build a Stadium on the Polo Club's glorious ground at Causeway Bay. This is indeed a fine stretch of green, level ground. Let us hope when sanity rears its head once again, polo will be played more consistently than ever before, and that the public will be urged to attend the game in large numbers. It is an aristocratic game to which Captain Neville who may fittingly be described as an Aristocrat, has given such whole-hearted service.

Over \$80,000 was paid to the Government in Death Duties out of the estate of the late Mr. Montague Ede. It appears that in compiling its estimates of income and expenditure, the Government takes no account of the fact that it is likely to receive additions to its revenue by reason of people passing away and leaving estate on which Death Duties are liable. At any rate the words do not appear in the estimates. They may, of course, be included in other figures, such as "Other Miscellaneous Receipts" against which \$20,000 was shown for the current year, as against \$25,000 in 1924.

All this discussion about Hongkong's schoolboy strikers is very interesting. It coincides with a fascinating study on children's ambitions, which develop as they grow older, by Miss Eve Macaulay in "The Forum of Education." A boy of eight wanted to be like Captain Cook—"because I could go in a boat." All it came the

definite statement, "he had an adventurous life and saw many new countries," while at 10 came the reasoned statement, "he travelled widely, did his country great service by his discoveries, and was a noble man in his treatment of the natives." Then the girl. At eight she said of Florence Nightingale, "she had a lamp and went to war with it," at 11, she had adventures in the hospitals when she went to nurse the poor soldiers; at 16, "she was a pioneer in nursing and did a wonderful amount of good." Dealing with ideals and the unconscious, Miss Macaulay says it was found that in every instance where boys who had chosen Robinson Crusoe could be identified, they came from crowded, noisy, quarrelsome homes. Stunted, sickly boys frequently chose the policeman as their ideal. "Perhaps here is a subconscious longing for stature and strength," writes Miss Macaulay, "though the consciously expressed reasons are such as 'he has a whistle,' 'he gets good pay and short hours.' Sometimes the subconscious longing is nearer the surface. A little girl with tubercular tendencies gave an apple 'as her ideal,' because it is round and rosy; and a child who shortly afterwards ran away from a strict, unsympathetic home, and was discovered making for the sea coast, chose Nelson, because he stuck pains and died like a sailor!"

Kuala Lumpur's Discharged Prisoners' Visiting Justices have appointed a committee to report on the formation of a Discharged Prisoners' Aid Society. It is refreshing to find some residents in the East taking such an interest in discharged prisoners to the extent of wishing to form a Society to aid them on their release. Hongkong's Visiting Justices should copy this example. The community throws a man into prison and takes no further thought of him. It is wrong.

THE STORY OF THE ROCKS.

Geology is the geography of the past, as Lord Avebury has aptly expressed it. The wonderful "restorations" adorning the walls of great museums, displaying the artists' conceptions of the scenery of the past—the Carboniferous and Permian swamps, with a flora and fauna so different from that of to-day—the Mesozoic valleys, with their huge and grotesque dinosaurs, great pterodactyls flying overhead; the Mesozoic seas, with their plesiosaurs and ichthyosaurs pursuing their prey—these are not vain imaginings. The records in the rocks show unmistakably the general conditions of the region while the rocks were being formed, enabling the artist, with the aid of the geologist, to reconstruct the topography in a general way. The remains of the plants preserved in the rocks enable the artist, with the aid of the paleobotanist, to reconstruct the flora and to clothe the land with vegetation of types long extinct. The complete skeletons found in the rocks enable the artist, with the aid of the paleozoologist and anatomist, to reconstruct animals that long ago roamed the land, swam the seas and glided through the air, and thus to re-people the scene with its former inhabitants. With all this information before him, he may sometimes accurately present to us a landscape of swamps in a region now arid, clothed with verdure now unknown, in which the extinct "Long-necked lizards basked and fought, and winged dragons ruin wrought."

A fascinating story is the one we read in the rocks, of the various stages in the development of the earth's surface and its inhabitants, leading up to their present state. Where the earliest fossil-bearing rocks have been upturned by the crumpling of the earth's crust and then exposed by erosion, we find a total absence of the types of plants and animals with which we are now most familiar. No trees or flowering plants adorned the land at that early period; no fishes swam the seas; no mammals roamed the continents; no birds winged their way through the air; there were no reptiles, no amphibians, Trilobites and eurypterids, long since extinct, then ruled the seas. Inarticulate brachiopods, now represented by an insignificant number of living species and individuals, constituted a very important element in the ancient faunas. In successive later formations we find the faunas and floras becoming more and more like those of to-day, until in the Tertiary rocks we found many general and some species which are not yet extinct. The rocks plainly inform us, by abundant and very definite evidence, that throughout the past

ages conditions were constantly changing, ever so slowly to be sure, but ever so certainly. Mountains rose from the plains, and then in the course of time disappeared. Continents repeatedly shifted their boundaries. Seas invaded the land and then retreated, reinvented and retreated again, repeating this process over and over. With each change in climate and physiographic conditions formations of different character were deposited. Hence we have alternating deposits of sandstone, limestone and shale, each telling a different story of its origin. Some formations teem with marine fossils, some are filled with land, freshwater or brackish-water fossils, according to the conditions under which they were deposited. The difference in the character of these ancient formations has a very important influence upon modern scenery and is intimately related to the welfare of the human race. The sandstones provide building stone in abundance; limestones provide lime for plaster and other purposes; shales provide brick-making material; deposits of iron provide indispensable construction material; great deposits of coal make it possible to work the iron into shape for use. All these things enter into the construction of the buildings which have greatly altered the scenery of all civilised lands, and have made possible the architecture of our modern cities. So when our attention is arrested by a fifteen-story skyscraper, we may truthfully say that this was made possible by the geological processes which deposited these materials so long ago and afterward tilted them up and exposed them where they could be obtained when needed. When the rank vegetation in certain regions during the Carboniferous and Cretaceous ages was filling the ancient swamps with coal, it was preparing the way for modern civilisation, with its densely packed cities, its steamships and its railways. Other deposits deep beneath the earth's surface have become available to man, through his industry and genius. His drills are penetrating the earth to a depth of seven thousand feet or more in the search for oil stored there long ago. His shafts are sinking many hundreds of feet below the surface in the search for the mineral wealth deposited there in bygone ages. Whether or not we see in all this a purpose to provide for the coming of man, it is surely wonderful to contemplate that all these things which make for the comfort, pleasure and progress of the human race were prepared by Nature so abundantly when no man walked the face of the earth—during the time of the dinosaurs and the Trilobites. In Introduction to "Geology in its Relations to Landscape."

LOCAL TRADE.

CHINESE MERCHANTS AND THE SITUATION.

LABOURERS NEED ENLIGHTENMENT.

The relations between merchants and labourers and the devising of means whereby the present hold up of trade might be brought to an end were amongst the matters considered at the monthly committee meeting of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce which was held on Saturday afternoon. It was finally announced that it was intended that a committee representative of different trades should be formed and for this purpose a meeting was to take place on Saturday next at 2 p.m.

A letter had been received, it was intimated, from Char Shou-sang calling attention to the fact that merchants at Shanghai had been able to resume business on June 26 whereas in Hongkong where the strike had been declared in support of Shanghai workers had not fully returned to work.

The letter went on to appeal for the calling of a joint friendly meeting of merchants and labourers at which an appeal should be made to the latter to resume work first and leave diplomatic matters to the Government to settle.

Similar suggestions for enlightening the labourers at Canton were contained in a letter from Ma Kim-mo. His proposal was that a circular be issued in the name of the Hongkong merchants and labourers to the strikers in Canton, strongly advocating the necessity of changing their plans, and explaining that the Government was responsible for the settlement of the Shanghai incident and that as the labourers' patriotic movement had been fully demonstrated to the world, they should first return to work and then wait for settlement.

Employers should also be requested not to reject their returning employees or cut their wages, was the opinion of the writer. The past should be forgotten, so that the workmen might not be afraid to return.

Yet another personal expression of opinion was that contained in a letter from Dr. Ho Poi-yue, of the Kwong Wah Hospital, who asked what damage could be done to others by simply calling out a strike of students and labourers. The students should be diligent in their studies so as to complete their education; the merchants, farmers and labourers should be diligent in their occupation, so as to promote native industry. Thus the weak might become strong and the poor rich. Who would then insult us?

OTHER MATTERS.

It was announced that Messrs. the Hing Firm had complained to the Chamber that the night-soil coolies had exacted exorbitant charges, much higher than the rate fixed by the Sanitary Board. The night-soil coolies' contractors, the Lee Yick Company had been asked to instruct their coolies not to demand these high charges, but in their reply they stated that they were powerless to interfere with the coolies. But as this thing should be remedied, Mr. Wong Kwong-tin was requested to approach the Sanitary Board on the matter. This was unanimously approved.

Other matters referred to in the course of the meeting were registration of servants, the effect on merchants of the Piracy Prevention Ordinance, the policy of the foreign banks with regard to overdrafts and percentages paid on mortgage on shares and properties.

On the first question it was said to be the opinion of the Chamber that the time was not ripe to take up the matter; on the second that Mr. T. N. Chau had been engaged to represent the interests of the shipowners; and on the third that the Chinese Chamber had taken up the matter with the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce and the foreign Banks.

MINDS NOT USED.

THE COMING AGE OF MENTAL GIANTS.

That men and women will some time become a race of intellectual giants in comparison with the present generation is the theory of the Maudsley Lecture, delivered to the Medico-Psychological Association meeting in London by Dr. J. Shaw Bolton, director of the West Riding Asylum, Wakefield.

Even when employed to the maximum by the higher individuals of the race, the brain, Dr. Bolton said, is working only at a tithe of its potential capacity. Few individuals exercise their

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MONSTER WASHINGTON PARADE.

CROWD'S SILENCE.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, August 9.

A Ku Klux Klan monster parade took place to-day in which the police estimated, there were 30,000 marchers, including many women.

The marchers were unmasked owing to a local Ordinance forbidding this.

A great crowd watched the parade silently, except when it applauded some particularly colourful spectacle.

There were no disorders.

FATAL BLAZE.

BELATED CALL TO FIRE BRIGADE.

A three-storeyed house at Sun Street, Wanchai, was completely gutted in a fire which broke out shortly before midnight on Saturday. All that is now left of the building are the bare walls. The verandahs of the adjoining houses were also considerably damaged by scorching.

The fire equipments from Central Wanchai and Kennedy Town Stations arrived on the scene half an hour after the blaze started, and by this time all the floors of the houses had fallen in and the building presented a pillar of fire from floor to roof. The ground and first floors were used by rattan furniture makers, and the contents hastened the spread of the fire, which is stated to have been caused by a lighted cigarette end dropping through the planks of the floor above the rattan on the ground floor.

Two pumps were brought into action with four hoses worked from different angles, and the danger of the fire spreading to the adjoining houses was removed when the stop signal was given after 50 minutes' work.

The second floor of the demolished house is stated to have been occupied by Indians. The occupants of all the floors managed to get away, except a man employed by the rattan maker on the first floor. The body of this man, about 18 years of age, was found in a charred condition amongst the debris.

ALARM SYSTEM.

In justice to the Fire Brigade, it may be mentioned that their late arrival was due to no fault of their own, as they were on the scene just as soon as they received the call. It appears that a gentleman made an attempt to get a message through by telephone, but could not make himself understood to the operator, and a lot of precious time was wasted before the call was eventually received by the Fire Brigade. Prior to the arrival of the Brigade, a number of naval men had made an unsuccessful attempt to subdue the flames with buckets of water.

There are only eleven fire alarms in the Colony on the type of the one outside the Hongkong Hotel. These are all in the central district and extend as far as Bonham Strand West—the Tung Wah Hospital, Wilmer Street, Hollywood Road, and Canton Wharf being some of the places provided with the patent alarms. Immediately the alarm is given, by breaking the glass and pulling a knob, a bell rings at the Station, until stopped by one of the officers, and at the same time a disc drops indicating the place from which the alarm has come. The apparatus serves a double purpose, as, by the aid of an ear-piece and a plug, which forms the equipment of the Brigade, the alarm pillar can be used for communicating with the station in the same way as a telephone.

It is to be hoped that the installation of these efficient alarm signals will soon be extended to other parts of the densely populated area, such as the scene of Saturday's fire.

marvellous organ of mind so as to justify its possession, and human beings in the mass do not think.

Few people appreciated what a large proportion of their apparent thinking was merely repetition of things learned by heart, gossip, scandal, and the like.

But compared with birds and insects, we are plastic in our bodies, and this in the end may enable us rapidly to evolve from our present relatively infantile stage of mental development.

The worker is the individual of the race who counts, and his descendants will eventually employ successfully the mechanism which the mass of talkers is merely playing with, like a child with a new toy.

TURBULENT CHINESE

MALAY STATES PAPER'S COMMENT.

HONGKONG'S EXPERIENCE.

Thus far, despite its large Chinese population, Malaya has wholly escaped any manifestations of the unrest and disorder which have created such a serious situation further East. There are good reasons for this gratifying immunity, observes the "Malay Mail."

The principal one is that the Chinese residents of this Peninsula are solidly loyal to the flag under whose authority they live. They realise and entirely appreciate the blessings of life under British rule or protection, leaving them free from social disruption, from political intrigue, from oppression and exploitation such as are widespread in China, and enabling them to pursue their business activities and private lives in an atmosphere of law and order, and equality of opportunity, that is all, or almost all, that they could wish for. Possibly, however, it is too much to hope that this country should escape some backwash of the troubled waters of the day. That there is some real danger of agitators endeavouring to create mischief here is evidenced by the arrest of a man who was haranguing a crowd in Singapore. It is alleged in a manner designed to have undesirable consequences. He is now on remand. When he is next before the court, more may be disclosed as to the exact trend of his oratorical exercises.

Such an incident—even if the worst construction of the man's purpose should prove to be justified—need, we think, cause no uneasiness. We are quite convinced that any agitators who come to Malaya, believing that there is material here for Bolshevik or other subversive fashioning will meet with bitter disappointment. They will be wasting their energies, and incurring grave personal risks without achieving any of the results, that might be their objective. It is poor territory for the propagandist, especially now the slump is over, and there is work for all the labouring classes who seek it, thus removing a potent cause of the discontent upon which extremist agents know how to play.

Meanwhile, it is encouraging to learn that the serious and lavishly organised strike in Hongkong is collapsing, and that after a spell of hysterical and unreasoning turbulence, those who so precipitately left good and safe employment are showing a general disposition to return. The beguilements of Canton's "Red" elements have proved to be false. There has been neither work nor food for the thousands who proceeded to the city in a momentary antipathy to life in a British Colony. Promises have been unfulfilled, soreness have proved vain for any useful or patriotic purpose. But the returning prodigals could not expect to be allowed quietly to resume their former avocations without their ill-gotten adventures. As the "Straits Times" correspondent has telegraphed, the residents of Hongkong are disposed to take their turn in the game now. The past services of returning strikers are to be expunged from their records. They must make a new start, on fresh conditions, dictated by their employers. And it is proposed to introduce registration, not only of domestic servants, but also of office employees.

The meeting at Hongkong passed a series of strong resolutions. These resolutions dealt not only with the local situation in Hongkong, but with the current problem of China generally; and it is indisputable that British residents in the Far East are entitled to be heard before momentous decisions are arrived at which will closely affect them. They are also within their rights in endeavouring to discount the untrue or distorted statements which have gained wide currency concerning industrial conditions, as the cause of the present trouble. As they point out, the employees in British-owned factories in China are inestimably better off than those in Chinese-owned factories, and the labour agitators would have been well-advised to fight for the elevation of the latter to the standards of the former, instead of pursuing a policy which could only be exposed as mere anti-foreignism, as malicious, as misguided, unwarranted, and utterly futile. The signs are that we are now nearing the end of China's crisis, and that prudent counsels are prevailing. Once order is restored, there can be no fear that any legitimate cause that China has for the revision of her relationship with foreign interests within her borders, and with the outside world, will not receive very careful and generous consideration.

The Blue Book on "Labour Conditions in China" issued this month shows that out of 33 cotton mills in Shanghai only eight are owned by British companies, 23 by Japanese and the rest by Chinese.

H.M.S. HERMES.

SUBJECT OF INTERESTED COMMENT.

TWENTY PLANES ABOARD.

H.M.S. Hermes, which arrived in Hongkong over the week end and took up position off the Naval anchorage at Yaumati this morning, was the subject of much interested comment on account of its somewhat peculiar dimensions and the seeming smallness of the deck used for taking off and alighting by the 20 planes carried.

The Hermes, which is under the command of Capt. the Hon. Arthur Stopford, C.M.G., who at one time served with the Naval Air Force, was until recently serving with the Mediterranean Fleet. She is a air-craft carrier of about 11,000 tons and is 598 feet in length over-all, beam over flight deck is 90 feet and draught 18½ feet. She carries 20 sea-planes. Her armament consists of six 5.5 in. four 4 in. anti-aircraft guns and nine 2-pounders. Begun on the 15th of January, 1918, she was completed in 1923.

MORTAL GOLF.

ENGAGING ECCENTRICITY OF GENIUS.

WHO CHARLES JOHNS IS.

Charles Johns, as the victor in the "Daily Mail" £1,200 tournament, is surely an encouragement to the multitude of golfers. For here is a man whose attitude towards the game is just that of the ordinary mortal. He is earnest about it, but he appears thoroughly to enjoy it. In almost every first-class player people detect some individual trait of temperament or style. Johns has none. Simplicity is the keynote of his golf, exactly as it is of his character. Johns discovered golf when, as a boy, he went to live at Ashford, in Middlesex, writes Mr. R. Rensbury Howard, and found that he could earn money out of school hours by carrying clubs. One of the members, evidently appreciating his keenness as a caddy, arranged for him to spend five years in the shop there as a club-making apprentice. From these small beginnings he has risen to distinction.

So wholly human is Johns in his golfing ways that—like 999 players out of every 1,000—he shies at the drudgery of going out alone to practise shots. It is sometimes said that this is the only sure path to progress at golf and that every amateur or professional of note has followed it.

Johns, like the average club member with a handicap of anything from 1 to 24, says that he does not like it.

Whether it is for this reason that he has had to wait till the age of 38 before winning a first-class tournament I do not know. But it is something to have come upon a golf conqueror who is neither a giant in physique nor possessed of any of those engaging eccentricities which are supposed to be allied to genius.

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Before they left London, the delegates went in a body to lay a wreath at the Cenotaph in Whitehall, another on the grave of the Unknown Warrior in Westminster Abbey, and a third at the Abraham Lincoln statue at Westminster.

THE DRUG ILLUSION.

Pleading at a luncheon to the American doctors at the Hyde Park Hotel Knightsbridge, on June 5, Sir Arbuthnot Lane referred to the work done during the war by General Sir Alfred Keogh, as Director-General of the Army Medical Service. He added:

He came out of the war with enhanced honour and dignity, but he received no reward, no distinction, no remuneration of any kind. It is always the way with the medical profession. They do their work nobly; they do not expect recompense and they do not get it. (Laughter).

Dr. Wood-Hutchinson, responding to the toast, said:

We are getting rid of the drug illusion. We are willing even to subscribe to the dictum of Oliver Wendell Holmes, that if 99 per cent. of all the drugs we possess were thrown into the sea it would be a good thing for the human race but rather hard on the fishes.

He ridiculed the dietary of the faddists, who banned meat. The most important single factor in a common-sense diet was meat and lots of it.

It was the best food ever invented and the instincts which prompted people to eat it were sound and good. There was not a particle of evidence in support of the old nonsense about meat being bad for the kidneys and for sufferers from gout.

Meat-eating races like the New Zealand, Australian, and Canadian had the lowest death-rate in the world. Vegetables, of course, should figure in a common-sense diet.

A doctor should question his patient just long enough to find out what he liked to eat, and then he should give it to him.

People who lived on a diet mainly composed of cereals had just about the same resisting power to disease as cows and rabbits.

Children wanted not bread and butter, but butter and bread, and the most intelligent of them would lick the butter off the bread.

DOCTORS AND THE PRESS.

Sir Arbuthnot Lane, replying to a toast of his health, commented on the fact that in America doctors could write freely in the newspapers and educate the public, whereas in England if a doctor wrote to the newspapers some branch of what was called the Ethical Medical Committee was down upon him at once.

Doctors should insist that the men who could speak best about health should be allowed to do so without receiving insulting letters from the Ethical Medical Committee.

That was a self-constituted body which had no business to exist, and yet on the slightest pretence it wrote to him rude and insulting letters, letters which were in no way deserved. The position was perfectly absurd.

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FOUND ELIXIR.

HOW WOMEN STAY YOUNG.

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LIVING BAROMETER.

FISH AS SUCCESSFUL WEATHER PROPHET.

A fish which should prove useful to "weekenders" is the pond loach, a consignment of which reached a London aquarium dealer recently.

It is a queer looking creature with a striped, eel-like body and a set of ten barbels around the mouth, giving it a sort of "Old Bill" expression. Though the pond loach sometimes exceeds a foot in length, imported specimens are usually about 5 or 6 in. long.

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WIFE BOUGHT FOR SON.

A report comes from Essex, the capital of Slavonia, of the marriage of Alexander Milekic, the 13-year-old son of a gipsy voyvoda, to the 12-year-old daughter of the gipsy fiddler, Philipovic. Following an old custom, the bridegroom's father had paid the sum of 2,000 dinars for his son's wife. After the wedding the police appeared, carried the guests off to the town hall and informed them that the marriage was illegal. The voyvoda protested against this intervention, saying that he had himself been married at the age of 13, his wife being 12 at that time. To buy a girl was a very old custom of the gipsies. The police released the guests, but sentenced the bride's and bridegroom's fathers to 15 days' imprisonment. (From San Francisco Examiner.)

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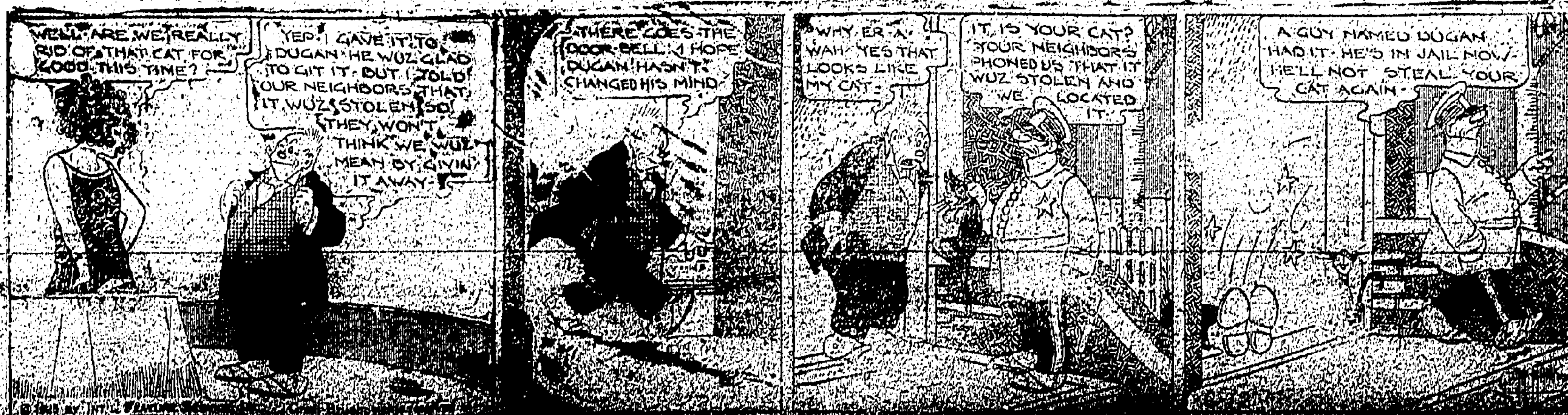


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DIVORCE WAYS.

THE NEW DREAD OF PUBLICITY.

One result of the Dennistoun case is that there is at the moment a marked disinclination to set down for trial law cases which have in them the germ of a "cause celebre." Women who may have a good defence to petitions for divorce or other action where conduct may be in issue are afraid of the witness-box and the blaze of publicity which may follow.

Then there is talk in legal circles of cases which necessarily would be reported at length, not because of the sensational character of the evidence but because of the unique character of the evidence.

In some establishments where wireless is added, an extension is run to another room, sometimes to the servants' quarters and it does sometimes happen that a person listening-in at the extension can overhear conversation in the room where the receiving set is installed.

Perhaps it is just as well to know this now and to be forewarned. "What the cook hears" may be as vital as "What the butler says."

When the public read of cases which take days to try and estimates of costs which amount to fortunes, even in these days of depreciated values, and picture the possibility of their photographs adorning the columns and columns of reports of their cases, they ask themselves whether the enforcement of legal rights is worth the purchase price.

They forget that for every case reported hundreds of cases pass unnoticed. Every litigant, with perhaps pardonable vanity, considers that his case is one which must necessarily evoke the avid interest of the reading public. Is it any wonder that those who have fortunes at stake or reputations to be saved instruct their solicitors to settle, at any cost?

At the end of Mr. Justice MacCann's judgment in the Dennistoun case, one newspaper reported that Mrs. Dennistoun was congratulated on her victory. In another newspaper there was a report that the Dowager Lady Carnarvon was congratulated on the successful issue of the action in favour of her husband, Colonel Dennistoun.

No doubt the congratulations were sincere in both cases, but one is reminded of the remark of the Cockney when shown the statue of Victoria: "I like to see the statue of a woman who has been married."

Of the several "causes celebres"

BALL-ROOM IDEAS.

NOVEL INTRODUCTION FOR PARTNERS.

London hostesses are bestirring themselves to provide something original in the way of ball-room amusement and brighter supper interludes, their endeavours being, perhaps, influenced by the fact that there are a record number of American hostesses in London, and American hostesses have established a reputation for "stunt" parties that are bright and original in character.

PUZZLE DANCES.

Not every hostess can follow the example of the one who recently entertained her guests in a setting of Arabian nights magnificence with Jimmie's disporting themselves, "Charlie and his merry men making music," and "Mayanito and Zuliza dispensing Dukkan and Timbak," but there are other minor stunts that make for merriment.

One of these, says an "Evening Standard" writer, is the Cross-word Puzzle Dance, where men are given hats with one syllable or two or three across the front. The complementary syllables necessary for the rest of the word have to be looked for on the hat won by a lady, and the wearers are partners for the dance.

TOYS.

The idea of "favour" so assiduously pushed in dance clubs has spread to private houses, and supper tables are supplied with a variety of "toys" of various kinds.

One hostess provided her guests with tiny spreading fans of crinkled paper in various colours mounted on a thin long stick, and each fan was decorated with dainty pierrette's head. In addition each guest was given a musical instrument modelled like a fruit, carrots, cucumbers and bananas being most in evidence.

London hostesses have been known to bewail the new fashion that demands added amusement to that supplied by a fine floor and a good band. But the "stunt" idea, for the moment at least, is fashionable, and London hostesses are cunningly their brains for new notions in entertaining.

which have come before the courts in the past two or three years, it would be difficult to point to any single one of the parties engaged who could get up and truthfully say "I won."

Of course, members of the Bar win; they always do. They are entitled to their fees in any event.

SAVING THE SMITH.

FINE WORK AT HATFIELD SHOW.

A new feature was added this year to the prettiest agricultural show in the world, says "The Observer." It represents one part of an endeavour to keep alive one of the oldest, probably the very oldest, craft in rural England.

The show—the biggest of the series—was held in Hatfield Park within a ring of the biggest and oldest oak trees within the county, many of them buttressed with timber designed to preserve their falling arms. The cure of the Cecil is not only, it seems, reserved for political antiquities. The Ministry of Agriculture, along with the Lord Lieutenant of the county and other authorities, is engaged in an endeavour to ensure the survival of the art and craft of the blacksmith, whose trade is threatened. They are doing for the smith what the Cecil have done for the oak; and the smith's family and forge make purveyors of both Hatfield House and its owners.

The endeavour has met with singular success. As many as seventy examples of the finer work of the smiths of Hertfordshire were shown, and they were judged so high in quality and so true in heredity that some of the best are to be preserved as the nucleus of a national collection. Hertfordshire, perhaps because of its nearness to London, has a certain prominence in the craft. Gates, larks, hinges, brackets, and even railings are to be seen of all sorts of dates—some pre-Elizabethan, some of this year—all true to the highest canons of the craft. Even in smaller villages the blacksmiths do a certain amount of work for patrons in the big towns. But there is a real fear that the arrival of the motor and the machine-made stamp may kill off both the blacksmith and his craft; and the country cannot do without them, practically as well as sentimentally. The best single thing at the Hatfield Show was made by a village blacksmith, whose partner, his brother, has just been forced to emigrate to Australia.

It is believed by the Ministry that if more people knew of the truth and beauty of this native iron-work, any fear of the extinction of the smith would be dissipated. The farmer and the community need the blacksmith, but have scarcely enough work to give him to support the craft as it should be supported. The judges, who came from South Kensington, were astonished not only at the art and technical perfection of this work—comparable, in its class, may one say, with Venetian glass—but at the cheapness of it, from the lawns or garden seats to spring locks or builder's "cripples." The art is native, and the craftsman as worthy of a reputation as a Chippendale or Wedgwood. The movement for the buttressing of the craft is spreading wide, as exhibits at the Bath and West Show proved. The Kent blacksmiths are as good as the Herts, and will probably be grouped in a co-operative society before the year is out. At the Hatfield Show specimens were given of oxy-acetylene welding; and one part of the object of the new movement is to provide the smith with the newer powers. He will thus be able to take up work that is passing to merely mechanical hands and thus be enabled to maintain his craft at the same time.

The variety of the work shown at Hatfield was remarkable; and not a single pattern was anything but true and simple. The exhibits included fire-dogs, tongs, forks, weather-vanes, candle-brackets, stick-stands, letter-boxes, boot-scrappers, bell-pulls, trade signs, and everything there is that has to do with a door or a gate.

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MISSING SON.

DISAPPOINTMENT AT LINER'S SIDE.

Refusing to believe that her son, from whom she has not heard for more than 80 years, is dead, an elderly woman, Mrs. Sarah Ashworthy Holt of Kingswayford, near Dudley, Staffs, and formerly of Manchester, travelled with her husband to Southampton to meet the Canadian Pacific liner Empress of France, which reached the port. She had heard that a steward on board has the same name as her missing son, Robert Holt.

The old couple waited on the dock-side while a message was sent to Holt to come ashore. When he appeared the old woman burst into tears, for he was not her missing son.

The missing man left his home in Manchester 80 years ago. "He was always an adventurous lad," his mother said, "and he never would let me know where he was. I shall still hope to hear of him."

Robert Holt is entitled to some money, which he inherited at the age of 21, if he is still alive.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The E. & A. s.s. "Canada" left Manila for this port on Aug. 7 p.m. with the outward Australian Mails and is due here to-day at about 8 a.m.
The C.P.S. s.s. "Empress of Asia" was due at Hongkong to-day at 11 a.m. and berths at Pier 2, Kowloon Wharf. The steamer leaves Hongkong on Aug. 12 at 5 p.m.; is due at Manila on Aug. 14 at 7 a.m.; leaves Manila on Aug. 15 at 7 p.m.; is due at Hongkong on Aug. 17 at 7 a.m.; leaves Hongkong on Aug. 18 at noon for Vancouver via Shanghai and Japan ports.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVAL.

Per B.I. s.s. Tandu on August 10: Messrs. T. Brameld, V. A. Freeman-Meeks, E. F. Cox, S. D. Kum Hing, T. Young, Lo Hang-tung, Wm. Dixon, W. Posener, R. Gonzales, Dr. J. Hogarth, Pringle, R. Roy, Dr. Headsett, Bishop of South Tokyo, Mesdames T. Young, McCauley, J. Mavey-Lake, E. F. Cox, J. Hogarth, Pringle, Hopwar, F. McGill, M. E. Geare, Misses Hopwar, McGill, McCauley, M. C. Ryan, Dr. Robinson, E. M. Spence, and Mr. C. Budge.

TO-DAY ONLY at the

JUNE MARLOWE & BEVERLY B. YNE in

THE TENTH WOMAN

KICK OUT A Mermaid Comedy and

PATHE NEWS

A Tempestuous Tale of Spanish Love on the Rio Grande

JACK HOXIE

DON DAREDEVIL

International News

BUSTER KEATON in THE BOAT

TO-DAY ONLY AT

THE STAR

MR. PEPPY.

CENTENARY OF THE FAMOUS DIARY.

Between the death of Samuel Pepys and the publication of his Diary stretches an interval of 122 years, writes a "Times" correspondent. It may or may not be a coincidence that both events, the former on its anniversary, the latter on its centenary, can be recalled on the same day. Lord Braybrooke, writing his preface to the first edition, in May, 1825, could hardly forget that Pepys died on May 20, 1703.

This first edition, published in two quarto volumes by H. Colburn, of New Burlington Street, was not entered at Stationers' Hall until August 9, 1825. That it had been issued to the public some two or three months previously is clear from advertisements and notices in the literary journals and newspapers of the time. Though important new books did not, a hundred years ago, receive the prompt attention that is bestowed on them now, the value of Pepys's Diary—or the "Memoirs," comprising his Diary from 1659 to 1699, "to quote from the long original title"—was perceived without any remarkable delay.

A "LIFTED" REVIEW.
On June 20, 1825, "The Times" devoted over a column of its scanty space to extracts from the book. The review was not its own, but "lifted" with this commendatory note:—

We copy the following article from the "Literary Gazette": From a very cursory view of the book it appears to deserve the praise here bestowed upon it. Publications of this kind are of the highest value, as affording the most authentic materials for history, and the surest means for appreciation of individual character. We wish every family, in whose possession some of these genuine records exist, would follow the praiseworthy example of Lord Braybrooke, and communicate them to the world.

If the last paragraph was intended to imply that the Pepys records belonged to the Braybrooke family, it was incorrect. Members of that family, who were hereditary visitors of Magdalene College, Cambridge, discovered the six volumes of Pepys's cypher in the Pepysian library there, and showed them to their relative, Lord Granville.

Having a fancy for shorthand, Lord Granville was able to make out a key, which in due course was placed, together with the six volumes, in the hands of John Smith, an under-graduate of St. John's. For three years, 1810-12, John Smith worked hard at the task of transcription, and from his com-

pleted manuscript Lord Braybrooke made the rigorous selection which formed the first edition of the Diary.

Seven days after its first notice "The Times" printed another column and a half of extracts, prefacing them with a short article to the effect that "the decipherer of Mr. Pepys's manuscript must not be passed over in silence."

"This was Mr. John Smith, late Deputy Bedell to the University of Cambridge, and Curate of Banham, Norfolk. If he is still a Curate, we trust that the heads of the Church will not long permit him to remain so." He was still a curate, and stayed at Banham, whither he had gone, after a short association with St. Clement's, Eastcheap, until 1832, when he became rector of Pwllcrochan, Pembrokeshire, but was soon preferred to the living of Baldock, in Hertfordshire, which he held until his death in 1870. Pepys's shorthand was independently deciphered by Dr. Mynors Bright for the fuller edition published between the years 1875 and 1879. Every new edition gave a little more of the Diary, and in Mr. H. E. Wheatley's we have as near an approach to the whole as, according to general opinion, we are ever likely to get. But general opinion may be wrong; it is never safe to prophesy on the attitude of future generations towards "outspoken" literary material.

SIR WALTER SCOTT'S PRAISE.

One of the earliest appreciators of Pepys was Sir Walter Scott, who wrote an article on the Diary in the "Quarterly Review" for January, 1826. Ascribing "perfect good faith" to the diarist, Scott pointed out that "Mr. Pepys was in the fortunate situation that he had no crimes to conceal, and no very important vices to apologise for."

The first quarter of our own century, though not unfruitful in the discovery of memoirs of another age, will not compare with the first quarter of the 18th. It is true that 1903 introduced as a familiar friend that delightful gossip, the late Mr. Crewey, but 1816 gave the world Evelyn (in selection), 1825 brought Pepys, and 1829 was to usher in Saint Simon for the first time in literary full-dress. Here, however, we stray into the second quarter, which is unfair.

The "China Mail" is informed by Messrs. Kwong Sing Hong, Ltd., that one Sam Choi, who was recently acquitted at the Police Court on a charge of alleged stone throwing, is now, as stated, an accountant in that firm, although he worked for them ten years ago.

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